SENATE BILL 667

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to prevention of domestic violence.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 10, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Each LEA, in consultation with the department and local law enforcement, shall institute domestic violence awareness education programs for middle and high school students. The domestic violence awareness programs shall provide information on and understanding of domestic violence prevention to increase awareness of resources available to victims of domestic violence. An LEA shall ensure that each program instituted is developmentally appropriate for the age and maturity levels of the students who will take part in the program. The department of education shall assist LEAs in the development of programs appropriate to each LEA. All students in every middle and high school within the LEA shall participate in at least one (1) domestic violence awareness program per year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.